FEMA Provides Washington City \$1.2 Million for Flood Mitigation

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DENVER – FEMA has announced an award of more than \$1.2 million to Washington City, Utah. The funds are the federal cost share for a mitigation project to address the threat of flooding in the Pineview Estates area.

The project includes the placement of approximately 2,800 feet of erosion protection, in the form of rock, brush and cottonwood plantings, along the Virgin River. This project will help make Washington City more resilient to flood and erosion damage from future events in the Virgin River by reducing the risk for 22 private homes, a city park, and other existing public road and utility infrastructure.

FEMA is providing a 75-percent federal cost share for the \$1.6 million project. Funding is provided through FEMA's Pre-Disaster Mitigation Grant Program, which is designed to assist states, U.S. territories, federally-recognized tribes, and local communities in implementing a sustained pre-disaster natural hazard mitigation program. The goal is to reduce overall risk to the population and structures from future hazard events, while also reducing reliance on federal funding in future disasters.

Additional information about FEMA's Pre-Disaster Mitigation Grant Program can be found at https://www.fema.gov/pre-disaster-mitigation-grant-program.

